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PLEASE PASS TO O.K. SOWARD, US ARMY, FESA, FT. BELVOIR

E.O. 11652: N/A
TAGS: ENRG, EAID, MASS, DR
SUBJECT: POWER BARGE WEBER

REF: A) SANTO DOMINGO 281, B) STATE 8528

1. ECONOMIC COUNSELOR AND AID OFFICIAL MET JANUARY 17 WITH CDE ADMINISTRATOR JULIO SAURI TO DISCUSS INSURANCE FOR THE WEBER WHILE IT IS IN TRANSIT AND THE REVOLVING FUND DESCRIBED REFTEL B. COPY OF REFTEL B WAS GIVEN TO SAURI, WHO READS ENGLISH.
 2. AFTER SAURI HAD READ CABLE AND HAD FULL EXCHANGE WITH EMBOFFS, HE STATED THAT HE HAD FULL AUTHORIZATION FROM PRESIDENT BALAGUER TO PROCEED WITH AN AGREEMENT AND THAT HE WOULD LIKE TO HAVE THE AID ATTORNEY FROM WASHINGTON COME AS QUICKLY AS POSSIBLE.
 3. WHEN IT WAS POINTED OUT THAT THE WEBER WAS VALUED IN EXCESS OF \$8 MILLION AND THAT FOREIGN EXCHANGE WOULD BE NECESSARY FOR INSURANCE, SAURI STATED THAT THIS WAS NORMAL AND NO PROBLEM.
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HE SAID HE REGULARLY IMPORTED MULTI-MILLION DOLLAR GENERATORS WHICH WERE ALWAYS INSURED IN TRANSIT.

4. SAURI ALSO STATED THAT HE PERCEIVED NO PROBLEM WITH A REVOLVING FUND. HE COMMENTED THAT LOCAL OPERATION WOULD ENTAIL EXPENSES IN PESOS. ECONOMIC COUNSELOR POINTED OUT, HOWEVER, THAT NOT ONLY WOULD SOME OF THE ONE-TIME COSTS BE IN HARD

CURRENCY, BUT THAT ALSO SOME OF THE OPERATING COSTS, SUCH AS THE SALAIRES OF THE TWO RESIDENT ENGINEERS, WOULD ENTAIL DOLLAR EXPENDITURES. SAURI, WHO HAS A MEMORANDUM FROM VISITING DOD TEAM ON BOTH ONE-TIME AND OPERATING COSTS, SAID THAT THIS WOULD BE NO PROBLEM EITHER.

5. SAURI ALSO CONFIRMED REPORT WHICH THE AMBASSADOR HAD EARLIER RECEIVED FROM CENTRAL BANK GOVERNOR THAT SAURI WILL BE RECEIVING SUBSTANTIALLY NEW INPUTS OF FOREIGN EXCHANGE FROM CENTRAL BANK ON A MONTHLY BASIS AS AN ASSIST TO HIS FINANCIAL OPERATIONS.

6. ACTION REQUESTED: EMBASSY/AID RECOMMENDS THAT AID ATTORNEY ARRIVE AS SOON AS POSSIBLE TO NEGOTIATE AGREEMENT WITH SAURI WHICH, THE LATTER SAID, WOULD THEN BE PRESENTED TO PRESIDENT BALAGUER FOR HIS FINAL APPROVAL AND SIGNATURE. EMB/USAID RECOMMEND IMMEDIATE ACTION TO FINALIZE AID/DOD AGREEMENT.
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